

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Status of Claims

Claim 1 has been amended.

Claims 2 and 19 have been canceled.

Claims 18 and 20-31 have been withdrawn.

As such, claims 1 and 3-17, are currently pending in this application.

Applicant hereby requests further examination and reconsideration of the presently claimed application.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 112

Per the Advisory Action mailed September 27, 2006, Applicant notes with appreciation that the previous response filed September 19, 2006 overcame the 112 rejections set forth in the Office Action mailed July 19, 2006.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1 and 3-17 stand rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as anticipated by *Stahl*. Applicant has amended independent claim 1 to recite end points of 85% AMPS, 10% NVP, and 5% AM, which is expressly supported by Terpoly-5 listed below Table 6A on page 22 of the specification. Thus, amended claim 1 no longer reads on column 132, lines 1-31 of *Stahl*. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1 and 3-17 are not anticipated by *Stahl*.

Withdrawn Claims

Applicant will authorize an Examiner's amendment canceling the non-elected and withdrawn claims upon a finding that claims 1 and 3-17 are allowable.

CONCLUSION

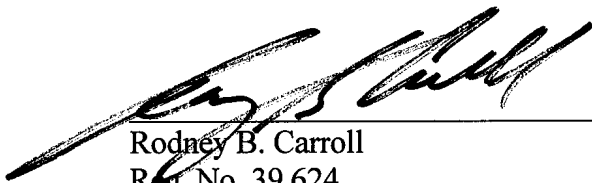
Consideration of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application, and withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested by Applicant. No new matter is introduced by way of the amendments. It is believed that each ground of rejection raised in the Final Office Action dated July 19, 2006 and Advisory Action dated September 27, 2006 has been fully addressed. If any fee is due as a result of the filing of this paper, please appropriately charge such fee to Deposit Account Number 50-1515 of Conley Rose, P.C., Texas. If a petition for extension of time is necessary in order for this paper to be deemed timely filed, please consider this a petition therefore.

If a telephone conference would facilitate the resolution of any issue or expedite the prosecution of the application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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